



## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO:** Office of Planning and Research  
1400 Tenth Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**FROM:** Department of Parks and Recreation  
1416 Ninth Street  
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**PROJECT TITLE:** Campsite Rehabilitation – Main Campground

**LOCATION:** Picacho State Recreation Area, Picacho Road and Inter-Park Road **COUNTY:** Imperial

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:** The project proposes to construct new wood shade ramadas and install wood railings to delineate parking areas in several campsites in the main campground at Picacho State Recreation Area. It would replace old wood picnic tables with new concrete picnic tables and replace old metal fire rings with new metal fire rings compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act. It would additionally install approximately 3,600 feet of fencing in three separate plots around campsites to protect areas where non-native invasive tamarisk was formerly removed and native plants are now germinating. Ground disturbance would include placement of footings for the ramadas and stubbers for the railings. Ramada footings would be poured concrete, 14" X 14", not more than 20" deep. There would be four footings for each shade ramada. Stubbers are 6" X 8" and would not be more than 30" deep. There will be 3-6 stubbers per site.

DPR-approved standard project requirements have been incorporated into this project. A copy of these requirements may be obtained by submitting a request to the project Environmental Coordinator listed below.

**PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT:** California Department of Parks and Recreation

**NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT:** Colorado Desert District

**EXEMPT STATUS:** ☒ Categorical Exemption *Class: 2, 3, 11 Section: 15302, 15303, 15311*

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** No potential for significant impacts to the environment is anticipated in compliance with CEQA Section 15300.2. The project consists of the replacement of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced (class 2); construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures (class 3), and construction or placement of minor structures accessory to (appurtenant to) existing facilities (class 11). The activities are included in DPR's list of exempt activities as "construction or installation of park facilities such as kiosks, restrooms, small parking lots, interpretive signing or panels, fencing, signs, above-ground fuel and water tanks, mobile home pads with utility connections, campsite sites, fencing and gates, boat launching facilities, concessionaire structures, and tent cabins" and "construction or installation of additional public use facilities (picnic tables, lockers, etc.)" in accordance with CEQA Section 15300.4.

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